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SUBJECT: ARTICLE XXIV:6

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1. AGRICULTURE DIRECTOR GENERAL DI CHIO CALLED
AGATTACHE AND INFORMED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE WHEN I SPOKE OVER
TELEPHONE WITH AMBASSADOR BOMBASSEI (ITALIAN PERMREP TO EC)
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TO CONVEY MY MINISTER'S WISH TO HIM HE MENTIONED SOME DEAL MADE

BY SUNKIST TO ASSIST SICILIAN CITRUS INDUSTRY, THUS INTRODUCING A NEW ELEMENT HITHERTO UNKNOWN TO ME UNQUOTE. HE THEN ASKED WHETHER THIS INFORMATION WAS CORRECT. AGATT CONFIRMED FIRMLY-EXPRESSED PLANS BY SUNKIST TO BUY FRESH CITRUS AND/OR JUICE FROM ITALIANS AND ASSIST THEM WITH MARKETING. SUCH ALSO EXPRESSED BY AMBASSADOR MALMGREN IN MEETING MINISTER FERRARI AGGRADI ON JANUARY 17, WHICH DI CHIO DID NOT ATTEND ALTHOUGH HE HAD BEEN INVITED TO IT.

2. REMARK: AGATT, IN QUESTIONING HIS ABSENCE (SINCE DI CHIO MAIN EC POLICY EXECUTIVE IN AGMINISTRY), WAS TOLD THAT SINCE DI CHIO DID NOT SPEAK ENGLISH HE HAD FELT EMBARRASSED AND THEREFORE HAD DECIDED NOT TO ATTEND.

3. AMBASSADOR MALMGREN HAD MADE IT CRYSTAL CLEAR THAT SUNKIST PLAN OF ACTION WOULD ONLY COME IN MOTION AFTER GOI WOULD HAVE REOPENED DISCUSSIONS ON CITRUS AND TOBACCO UNDER 24:6 IN BRUSSELS.

4. OBSERVATIONS: DI CHIO UNTIL END WAS OPPOSED TO HIS MINISTER'S PROMISE TO USG ON ABOVE CONCESSION AND HIS CALL TO AGATT FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION MAY MEAN FACE-SAVING RETREAT UNDER PRETEXT HE NEVER AWARE OF OUR QUID PRO QUO OFFER. VOLPE

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